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SUBJ: FACILITATIVE ASSISTANCE FOR ITALIAN MOVIE DIRECTOR SERGIO
LEONE

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STATE FOR EUR/P (SEIDNER)

1. SERGIO LEONE, PROMINENT, HIGHLY SUCCESSFUL ITALIAN MOVIE DIRECTOR, PLANNING FILM ENTITLED "ONCE UPON A TIME IN AMERICA" ON HISTORY AMERICAN CRIME, FROM 1927 TO TODAY. LEONE'S PRODUCTION ASSISTANTS GIANFRANCO GHIRON AND NINO KRISMAN WILL VISIT NEW YORK, FIRST, AND THEN WASHINGTON, BEGINNING ABOUT JULY 20, TO START RESEARCHING THEME. WISH CONTACT FBI OFFICES IN NEW YORK AND WASHINGTON TO OBTAIN BACKGROUND.

2. SINCE LEONE IS MAJOR DIRECTOR, GENERALLY FRIENDLY TOWARD US, AND WAS PARTICULARLY HELPFUL TO POST DURING RECENT USIA-SPONSORED VISIT TO ITALY OF FRANK CAPRA, POST WISHES TO BE RESPONSIVE THIS REQUEST. ACCORDINGLY REQUEST THAT AGENCY ASK FBI TO SEE GHIRON AND KRISMAN AND PROVIDE AS MUCH OF DESIRED BACKGROUND AS POSSIBLE.

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3. RECOGNIZE PROBABILITY THAT FILM WITH THIS THEME WILL CONVEY UNFAVORABLE IMAGE OF AMERICA. HOWEVER, FILM LIKELY TO BE MADE WITH OR WITHOUT OUR COOPERATION; OUR INVOLVEMENT AT THIS STAGE COULD HELP MINIMIZE DAMAGE, OR EVEN ENABLE US SUGGEST POSITIVE APPROACH. HOPEFULLY, FORTHCOMING ATTITUDE ON PART OF FBI WILL INDUCE RESEARCHERS AND LEONE TO PLACE EMPHASIS IN FILM ON

PROGRESS AMERICA HAS MADE IN DEALING WITH CRIME AND IN INSURING
EFFECTIVE, IMPARTIAL AND DEMOCRATIC LAW ENFORCEMENT IN OUR
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